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22 August 1949

1. a. Train, carrying guns and trucks, dispatched towards GUBEN (O 52/A 79).
- b. Train, coming from the east, carrying young troops with ruby-colored epaulets, but no vehicles. The troops were served meals in FRANKFURT/Oder.

23 August 1949

2. a. Passenger train, occupied by officers, proceeding west.
- b. Train, coming from the east, occupied by infantry troops, supply vehicles and horses (no heavy weapons), unloaded in FRANKFURT/Oder.

26 August 1949

3. a. Two trains of 17 cars carrying heavy SU 122 tanks, boxcars occupied by troops with black-bordered red epaulets, and flatcars carrying light reconnaissance cars, proceeding towards COTTBUS (N 52/A 57).
- b. Four brigade trains of sealed boxcars, heavily guarded, proceeding east.

28 August 1949

4. a. Two trains, assembled from converted German passenger coaches, dispatched towards COTTBUS.
- b. Passenger train, occupied by 20 to 30-year-old troops wearing air force uniforms, proceeding west.

30 August 1949

5. Freight train, loaded with about equal amounts of light armored

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cars and jeeps (all without numbers, but marked with a white "T" on the sidealls), arriving from the east. The train was broken up in FRANKFURT/Oder, and the cars were coupled to several other trains, including German freight trains.

31 August 1949

6. a. Freight train, loaded with engineer equipment (bridge building equipment), proceeding west.
b. Freight train, loaded with horse-drawn vehicles and horses, escorted by soldiers with red epaulets, proceeding west.

2 September 1949

7. a. Passenger train, occupied by Soviet women and children, proceeding east.
b. Train, occupied by Soviet troops, coming from the east.

3 September 1949

8. Three trains, occupied by Soviet troops (not carrying vehicles and bulky equipment), proceeding west.

5 September 1949

9. Train occupied by Soviet troops, allegedly air force, including four railroad cars carrying large mortars, proceeding east.

6 September 1949

- a. Two trains, loaded with bridge-building equipment, proceeding west.
b. Train, loaded with light antitank guns and jeeps, proceeding east.

7 September 1949

11. Train, occupied by Soviet troops with red epaulets, proceeding west, allegedly bound for MAGDEBURG (M 53/Y 60).

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Comment:

The report indicates that personnel and material on the trains going through FRANKFURT/Oder between 22 August and 7 September 1949 included:

- a. Entering the Soviet Zone of Germany from the east:
 - (1) Recruits (on 22 and 28 August and 2, 3 and 7 September 1949)
 - (2) Weapons and materiel (on 22, 30 and 31 August and 6 September 1949).
- b. Leaving the Soviet Zone of Germany to the east:
 - (1) Soviet dependents (on 2 September 1949)
 - (2) Weapons and materiel (on 6 September 1949).

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